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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Dearborn WORKS (Women's Opportunities to Realize Knowledge and Skills) in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Dearborn, located at 16901 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48126.

The funding will support a program which will offer peer-to-peer support as well as workshop-based training to women who have been economically and socially underrepresented in the workforce. Dearborn WORKS will assist participants with the ability to start and manage their own small/home businesses. This incubator program will mentor women in culturally appropriate settings in the industry of their choosing and provide soft skills in retail and commercial environments to build comfort around financial transactions and customer interaction. A second tier to the program will offer support to women who already have businesses and/or applicable skills and wish to grow their project into a microenterprise, allowing them to take their entrepreneurial talent to market.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Debbie Dingell Member of Congress

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